

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

The claim set incorporates all the amendments made in applicant's September 4, 2008 reply. In addition, claims 27, 28, and 30 have been cancelled, claim 28 has been amended to remove recitation of the term "prevention," claim 33 has been amended to correct a minor typographical error, and new claims 38-41 have been added. New claims 38 and 39 find support, for example, at page 7, lines 24-29, and page 17, line 29, to page 18, line 2, of the WO 2004/014955 publication. New claims 40 and 41 find support, for example, at page 18, lines 15-25, of the WO 2004/014955 publication. No new matter has been added by the present amendment.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue any cancelled subject matter in this or in a continuing application.

Rejoinder of Withdrawn Claims

As applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, applicant respectfully requests that withdrawn claim 28 as amended, which is directed to methods of using the products encompassed by claim 26, and claim 31 which is directed to methods of detection or purification using the antibodies of claim 1 be rejoined, in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 821.04.

In addition, applicant submits that new claims 38 and 39, which are process claims that include all the limitations of the allowable product claims, should be rejoined. Applicant also submits that new product claims 40 and 41 are directed to the elected invention.


CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested

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